

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office Of The Governor

WHEREAS, Music is one of life's great joys, a timeless form of expression, communication and entertainment; and,

WHEREAS, Since the time of explorers and pioneers, the human singing voice has mixed with the song of meadowlarks, the prairie wind and the calling of wild geese to form a great plains symphony; and,

WHEREAS, Thoughts, beliefs and human aspirations have long been mixed in song to create a shared understanding and appreciation of life in this state and nation; and,

WHEREAS, South Dakotans now stand ready to celebrate 100 years as a people united by reverence for family, God and the spirit of hard work and earned rewards; and,

WHEREAS, The Constitution of this great nation is celebrating two honored centuries of vigilance over the personal freedom of the United States and its people; and,

WHEREAS, A group of young musicians, strong of voice, pure of heart and light of spirit, now celebrates these traditions of history, freedom and music in a choir selected from five Rapid City high schools; and,

WHEREAS, These voices shall be raised in song for the enjoyment of listeners and the celebration of history and freedom, first in the Black Hills of our state, near the magnificent Shrine of Democracy, and then far across this great land in Philadelphia, City of Brotherly Love and home of the Constitution and its many mandates for freedom:

NOW, THEREFORE, I, GEORGE S. MICKELSON, Governor of the State of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim.....

THE RAPID CITY CELEBRATION CHOIR
as
SOUTH DAKOTA'S OFFICIAL AMBASSADORS

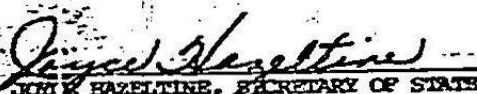
to the We the People 200 Celebration in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, on South Dakota Day, June 12, 1987.



WITNESSETH:

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Governor's Seal of the State of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Thirteenth Day of May, in the Year of Our Lord, Nineteen Hundred and Eighty-Seven


GEORGE S. MICKELSON, GOVERNOR


JOYCE HAZELTIME, SECRETARY OF STATE